

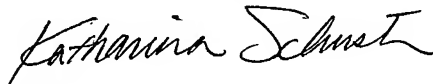
REMARKS

Applicant appreciates the time taken by the Examiner to review Applicant's present application. Claims 1-8, 10-13, 15-17, 20-23, 25-39, 41, 42, 44-54, 57, 58, 96 and 97 are pending. Claims 1, 36, and 49 are amended herein. Claim 21 is cancelled herein. By this Amendment, claims 1-8, 10-13, 15-17, 20, 22-23, 25-39, 41, 42, 44-54, 57, 58, 96 and 97 remain pending. This Amendment encompasses a bona fide attempt to expedite the prosecution of the present application. Applicant believes that the amendments to the claims submitted herewith serve to clarify the relationship of structural features recited in the claims, thereby placing the present application in condition for allowance, a notice of which is respectfully requested. The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number listed below for prompt action in the event any issues remain.

The Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fees from or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 50-3183 of Sprinkle IP Law Group.

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